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Sir:

In accordance with Applicant's duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, Applicants hereby make of record documents listed on the accompanying form PTO/SB/08a (2 pages); and form PTO/SB/08b (1 page) for consideration by the Examiner in connection with the examination of the above-identified patent application.

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.98(a)(2), a copy of each document cited in the FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS and OTHER PRIOR ART sections of accompanying forms PTO/SB/08a and PTO/SB/08b are provided. If it is determined that a copy of any of the cited documents is missing and is required, the Examiner is

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Applicant also respectfully advises the Examiner of the following commonly assigned U.S. Patents and applications:

U.S. Patent No. 7,361,658, entitled "2-Acylaminothiazole Derivative or Salt Thereof", issued April 22, 2008 (filed on January 13, 2006 as U.S. Serial No. 10/564,520);

U.S. Patent Application Publication No. 2004/0077697, entitled "2-Acylaminothiazole Derivative or Salt Thereof", published on April 22, 2004 (filed as U.S. Serial No. 10/470,917, now abandoned);

U.S. Patent Application Publication No. 2007/0203153, entitled "Compositions and Methods of Treating Thrombocytopenia", published August 30, 2007 (filed July 11, 2006 as U.S. Serial No. 11/593,758); and

U.S. Patent Application Publication No. 2008/0039475, entitled "Compositions and Methods for Increasing Blood Platelet Levels in Humans", published February 14, 2008 (filed July 8, 2007 as U.S. Serial No. 11/891,133);

Applicants direct the Examiner's attention to reference AF, AG, AH, CD, CE, and CF that were cited in the International Preliminary Report on Patentability issued in International Application No. PCT/IB2006/003142 (corresponding to U.S. Patent Application Publication No. 2007/0203153 mentioned above). A copy of the IPRP is enclosed herewith as reference CC cited on page 3 (Form PTO/SB/08b).

Applicants also direct the Examiner's attention to reference CE and CG that were cited by the Examiner in an Office Action issued in related U.S. Patent Application Publication No. 2007/0203153 mentioned above. A copy of the Office Action is also attached hereto as Appendix E.

References AD and BC were also cited during the prosecution of corresponding Japanese Patent No. 4120586. A copy of an English translation of the Japanese Office Action is attached hereto as Appendix F. A third reference JP-11-152276 was also cited

in during the prosecution of the corresponding Japanese Patent. The '276 reference was previously submitted in an Information Disclosure Statement dated September 21, 2004.

It is respectfully requested that the documents cited on the accompanying PTO/SB/08a and PTO/SB/08b be considered and made of record.

This Information Disclosure Statement is filed under 37 C.F.R. §1.97(c) and is accompanied by the check in the amount of \$180.00 for the fee due as set forth in 37 CFR § 1.17(p). It is not believed that any additional fees are due for this submission. If it is determined that any additional fees are due or an overpayment has been made in connection with the filing of this submission, the Commissioner for Patents is authorized to charge said fee or to credit said overpayment to Attorney Deposit Account No. 50-0552.

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